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GOVERNOR PATRICK ANNOUNCES PAROLE BOARD NOMINATION AND DESIGNATION OF NEW CHAIR

BOSTON – Monday, November 10, 2014 – Governor Deval Patrick today announced the nomination of Lee J. Gartenberg as a member of the Parole Board and the designation of Dr. Charlene M. Bonner as Parole Board Chair.

“I am very pleased to nominate Lee Gartenberg to the Parole Board and to designate Dr. Bonner as Chair,” said Governor Patrick. “Lee will bring to this position his high energy, unique legal expertise and very strong commitment to inmate services and reentry programs. Dr. Bonner’s leadership will enable the Parole Board to continue to serve a crucial public safety role with efficiency and compassion for all who come before the board. I thank them both for their commitment to public service and to the parole system.”

Gartenberg is the Director of Inmate Legal Services in the Middlesex Sheriff’s Office, where he has worked since 1982. He provides legal services to prisoners in the Middlesex County Jail and House of Correction. Gartenberg also reviews institutional policies, providing input to the Sheriff’s Office, processing and clearing warrants, and drafting legislative proposals to address systemic corrections issues. He represents inmates in post-conviction relief motions and at administrative hearings, including parole revocation and rescission hearings. Gartenberg has participated in training Parole Board members and staff. He also is a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association’s Executive Management Board and House of Delegates. Gartenberg is a graduate of the State University of New York at Binghamton (B.A., 1978) and Boston University School of Law (J.D., 1981). He resides in Framingham. If confirmed, Gartenberg will fill the position on the Parole Board formerly held by Joshua Wall, with a term expiring June 1, 2015.

Dr. Bonner has been a member of the Parole Board since 2011. She is a certified forensic psychologist, with many years of experience as a court psychologist and as a private consultant to attorneys representing clients with mental illness. Bonner is a graduate of St. Anselm College (B.A., 1991), Bridgewater State College (M.Ed., 1995) and Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology (Psy.D., 1991). She resides in Kingston.

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